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1. X	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
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3. X	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.					
4.	The US has been elected (Article 31).					
5. <b>X</b>	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
	a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).					
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7.	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
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8. 🗆	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).					
9.	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
10. 🗌	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).					
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